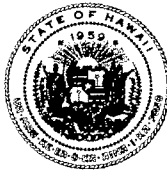


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September 1, 2009

TO: Department Heads
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FROM: Jim Williams, Administrator 

SUBJECT: Extension of EUTF Benefit Plans and Rates through December 31, 2009

This is to follow up on previous notices regarding actions by the EUTF Board of Trustees to cancel the open enrollment period that had been scheduled for May 18 – June 12, 2009, to extend current benefit plans for active employees and retirees through October 31, 2009, and to authorize me to conduct a limited special open enrollment period for hardship cases.

At its meeting of August 26, 2009, the **EUTF Board approved extension of current benefit plans with the same (as July through October) revised rates through December 31, 2009.** The rates, including the employer/employee contributions for the respective bargaining units, previously transmitted also are extended through December 31, 2009. As previously noted, separate rates (employer/employee contributions) apply for the counties of Hawaii, Maui, Kauai, and the City and County of Honolulu.

The special limited open enrollment ended June 12, 2009, and changes made will continue to apply for the period July 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. The EUTF will not conduct another special limited open enrollment. The Board approved a full open enrollment to be held November 2 – 30, 2009, subject to decisions on rates and benefits for the full plan year ending June 30, 2010 being finalized by the Board of Trustees at its meeting of September 30, 2009.

On behalf of the EUTF, thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

c: Board of Trustees